# SUPREME COURT MINUTES TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2005 SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

The Supreme Court of California convened in the courtroom of the Earl Warren Building, 350 McAllister Street, Fourth Floor, San Francisco, California, on September 13, 2005, at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Chief Justice Ronald M. George, presiding, and Associate Justices Kennard, Baxter, Werdegar, Chin, and Moreno.

Officers present: Frederick K. Ohlrich, Clerk; and Gail Gray, Calendar Coordinator.

In light of the current vacancy on the California Supreme Court, the Honorable Coleman A. Blease, Associate Justice, Court of Appeal, Third Appellate District, sitting on the following case under assignment by the Chairperson of the Judicial Council, joined the Court at the bench.

S125572 The People, Plaintiff and Respondent

v.

Mildred Murphy, Defendant and Appellant

Cause called. Heather Crawford, Office of the Attorney General, argued for Respondent.

Laurel Nelson Smith argued for Appellant.

Ms. Crawford replied.

Cause submitted.

Justice Blease, not participating in the following matters, did not join the bench.

In light of the current vacancy on the California Supreme Court, the Honorable Cynthia G. Aaron, Associate Justice, Court of Appeal, Fourth Appellate District, Division One, sitting on the following case under assignment by the Chairperson of the Judicial Council, joined the Court at the bench.

S119498 State Personnel Board, Plaintiff and Appellant

v.

Department of Personnel Administration, et al., Defendants and Appellants

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Association of California State Attorneys and Administrative Law Judges, et al., Plaintiffs and Respondents

v.

Department of Personnel Administration, et al., Defendants and Appellants

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State Personnel Board, Plaintiff and Respondent

v.

Department of Personnel Administration, et al., Defendants and Appellants

Cause called. Linda Diane Buzzini, Department of Personnel Administration, opened argument for Defendants

Matthew J. Gauger, appearing for Amicus Curiae International Union of Operating Engineers, continued argument for Defendants.

Ronald Yank, appearing for Amicus Curiae CDF Firefighters, continued argument for Defendants.

Dorothy Bacskai Egel, State Personnel Board, argued for Plaintiffs.

Jay-Allen Eisen, appearing for Amicus Curiae Association of California State Attorneys and Administrative Law Judges, continued argument for Plaintiffs.

Ms. Buzzini replied.

Cause submitted.

Justice Aaron, not participating in the following case, did not join the bench.

In light of the current vacancy on the California Supreme Court, the Honorable James A. Ardaiz, Administrative Presiding Justice, Court of Appeal, Fifth Appellate District, sitting on the following case under assignment by the Chairperson of the Judicial Council, joined the Court at the bench.

S117964 The People, Plaintiff and Respondent

V.

Norman Yartz, Defendant and Appellant

Cause called. Paul A. Bernardino, Office of the Attorney General, argued for Respondent.

Linn Davis argued for Appellant.

Mr. Bernardino replied.

Cause submitted.

Court recessed until 1:30 p.m. this date.

Court reconvened pursuant to recess.

Members of the Court and Officers present as first shown.

Justice Ardaiz, not participating in the following case, did not join the bench.

In light of the current vacancy on the California Supreme Court, the Honorable Judith Meisels Ashmann-Gerst, Associate Justice, Court of Appeal, Second Appellate District, Division Two, sitting on the following matters under assignment by the Chairperson of the Judicial Council, joined the Court at the bench.

S127505 The People, Plaintiff and Respondent

V.

Jose Partida, Defendant and Appellant

Cause called. Verna Wefald argued for Appellant.

Barry Helft, appearing for Amicus Curiae Office of the Public

Defender, continued argument for Appellant.

Laura Hartquist, Office of Attorney General, argued for Respondent.

Ms. Wefald replied.

Cause submitted.

Justice Ashmann-Gerst, not participating in the following case, did not join the bench.

In light of the current vacancy on the California Supreme Court, the Honorable Richard M. Aronson, Associate Justice, Court of Appeal, Fourth Appellate District, Division Three, sitting on the following case under assignment by the Chairperson of the Judicial Council, joined the Court at the bench.

S057063 The People, Respondent

V.

Michael Lee Elliot, Appellant

Cause called. Barry Morris argued for Appellant.

Stephanie A. Mitchell, Office of Attorney General, argued for Respondent.

Mr. Morris replied.

Cause submitted.

Justice Aronson, not participating in the following case, did not join the bench.

In light of the current vacancy on the California Supreme Court, the Honorable Patricia D. Benke, Associate Justice, Court of Appeal, Fourth Appellate District, Division One, sitting on the following matters under assignment by the Chairperson of the Judicial Council, joined the Court at the bench.

S038073 The People, Respondent

V.

Abelino Manriquez, Appellant

Cause called. William Hassler, of the State Public Defender's Office, argued for Appellant.

Sharlene A. Honnaka, Office of Attorney General, argued for Respondent.

Mr. Hassler replied.

Cause submitted.

Court adjourned.

PEOPLE v. LUCAS (DAVID A.) Extension of time granted

to November 8, 2005 to file respondent's brief. After that date, only one further extension totaling about 65 additional days will be granted. Extension is granted based upon Supervising Deputy Attorney General William M. Wood's representation that he anticipates filing that brief by 1/16/2006.

S027094

# PEOPLE v. ELLIOT (MARCHAND)

Extension of time granted

to November 7, 2005 to file appellant's opening brief. The court anticipates that after that date, only two further extensions totaling about 120 additional days will be granted. Counsel is ordered to inform his or her assisting attorney or entity, if any, and any assisting attorney or entity of any separate counsel of record, of this schedule, and to take all steps necessary to meet it.

S034725

# BURTON (ANDRE) ON H.C. Extensions of time granted (2)

- (1) to October 7, 2005 to file petitioner's reply to respondent's brief on the merits. Extension is granted based upon counsel Marcia A. Morrissey's representation that she anticipates filing that document by 10/7/2005. After that date, no further extension is contemplated.
- (2) to November 6, 2005 to file respondent's reply to petitioner's brief on the merits. Extension is granted based upon Deputy Attorney General Chung L. Mar's representation that he anticipates filing that document by 11/7/2005. After that date, no further extension is contemplated.

#### PEOPLE v. HUGGINS (MICHAEL J.)

Extension of time granted

to September 21, 2005 to file appellant's supplemental reply brief. Extension is granted based upon counsel Peter Gold's representation that he anticipates filing that brief by 9/21/2005. After that date, no further extension will be granted.

S047868

#### PEOPLE v. GEORGE (JOHNATON S.)

Extension of time granted

to November 7, 2005 to file appellant's opening brief. Extension is granted based upon counsel Bruce Eric Cohen's representation that he anticipates filing that brief by 11/7/2005. After that date, no further extension will be granted.

S049626

### PEOPLE v. HAJEK & VO

Extension of time granted

to November 7, 2005 to file appellant VO'S opening brief. After that date, no further extension is contemplated. Extension is granted based upon counsel Doron Weinberg's representation that he anticipates filing that brief by November 2005.

S050102

## PEOPLE v. HENSLEY (PAUL L.)

Extension of time granted

to November 18, 2005 to file appellant's opening brief. After that date, only four further extensions totaling about 210 additional days will be granted. Extension is granted based upon counsel Richard L. Rubin's representation that he anticipates filing that brief by June 2006.

S064337

## PEOPLE v. ROGERS (RAMON)

Extension of time granted

to November 14, 2005 to file respondent's brief. After that date, only one further extension

totaling about 80 additional days will be granted. Extension is granted based upon Deputy Attorney General Maxine P. Cutler's representation that she anticipates filing that brief by 1/31/2006.

S068536

PEOPLE v. McWHORTER (RICHARD) Extension of time granted

to November 8, 2005 to file appellant's opening brief. After that date, only one further extension totaling about 30 additional days will be granted. Extension is granted based upon counsel David S. Adams's representation that he anticipates filing that brief by December 2005.

S070250

PEOPLE v. JOHNSON (MICHAEL) Extension of time granted

to October 27, 2005 to file appellant's opening brief. After that date, only four further extensions totaling about 240 additional days will be granted. Extension is granted based upon counsel Anthony J. Dain's representation that he anticipates filing that brief by 6/26/2006.

S070686

PEOPLE v. ROMERO (GERARDO) Extension of time granted

to November 16, 2005 to file appellant's reply brief. After that date, only three further extensions totaling about 180 additional days will be granted. Extension is granted based upon counsel Stephen M. Lathrop's representation that he anticipates filing that brief by 5/18/2006.

S081148

PEOPLE v. JENNINGS (MARTIN C.) Extension of time granted

to November 7, 2005 to file appellant's opening brief. Extension is granted based upon counsel Gregory Marshall's representation that he

anticipates filing that brief within 60 days. After that date, no further extension will be granted.

S115250

#### GURULE (RAYMOND) ON H.C.

Extension of time granted

to October 7, 2005 to file the informal response to the petition for writ of habeas corpus. After that date, only four further extensions totaling about 110 additional days will be granted. Extension is granted based upon Deputy Attorney General Jeffrey M. Bryant's representation that he anticipates filing that document by 2/1/2006.

S122414

## FARNAM (JACK) ON H.C.

Extension of time granted

to October 3, 2005 to file the reply to supplement to the informal response to the petition for writ of habeas corpus. After that date, no further extension is contemplated. Extension is granted based upon counsel Samuel D. McVey's representation that he anticipates filing that document by 10/1/2005.

S123618

# JENKINS (DANIEL S.) ON H.C.

Extension of time granted

to October 5, 2005 to file the reply to the informal response to the petition for writ of habeas corpus. Extension is granted based upon counsel Michael R. Snedeker's representation that he anticipates filing that document by 10/5/2005. After that date, no further extension will be granted.

S128031

#### KOONTZ (HERBERT H.) ON H.C.

Extension of time granted

to October 11, 2005 to file the reply to the informal response to the petition for writ of habeas corpus. After that date, only one further

extension totaling about 30 additional days will be granted. Extension is granted based upon Assistant Federal Defender Jennifer M. Corey's representation that she anticipates filing that document by 11/9/2005.

S129852

B166937 Second Appellate District, Division Six PEOPLE v. GILES

Extension of time granted

to October 7, 2005 for respondent to file the answer brief on the merits.

S130314

SAPP (JOHN) ON H.C.

Extension of time granted

to October 11, 2005 to file the reply to the informal response to the petition for writ of habeas corpus. After that date, only two further extensions totaling about 60 additional days will be granted. Extension is granted based upon counsel Bruce Eric Cohen's representation that he anticipates filing that document by 12/9/2005.

S130342

HALVORSEN (ARTHUR) ON H.C.

Extension of time granted

to October 12, 2005 to file the reply to the informal response to the petition for writ of habeas corpus. After that date, only two further extensions totaling about 65 additional days will be granted. Extension is granted based upon counsel Gary D. Sowards's representation that he anticipates filing that document by 12/15/2005.

S131048

B160417 Second Appellate District, Division Eight PEOPLE v. SHABAZZ

Extension of time granted

to October 11, 2005 for respondent to file the reply brief on the merits. No further extensions of time will be granted.

#### LEWIS (RAYMOND) ON H.C.

Extension of time granted

to October 3, 2005 to file the reply to the informal response to the petition for writ of habeas corpus. After that date, only two further extensions totaling about 60 additional days are contemplated. Extension is granted based upon counsel Kevin G. Little's representation that he anticipates filing that document by December 2005.

S133331

B177986 Second Appellate District,

**Division Seven** 

DEPT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL v ALCOHOLIC BEV. CONTROL APPEALS BD.

(QUINTANAR)

Extension of time granted

Petitioner's time to serve and file the opening brief on the merits is extended to and including October 12, 2005.

S133343

A105312 First Appellate District,

Division Three

MICROSOFT CORP v. FRANCHISE TAX BOARD

Extension of time granted

Appellant's time to file the answer brief on the merits is extended to September 27, 2005.

S133687

D043697 Fourth Appellate District,

Division One

SHIRK v. VISTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Extension of time granted

to November 7, 2005 to file appellant's answer

brief on the merits.

S134873

A106618 First Appellate District, Division Two

HEBREW ACADEMY OF SF v. GOLDMAN

Extension of time granted

to October 23, 2005 to file respondent's opening brief on the merits.

#### JURADO (ROBERT J.) ON H.C.

Extension of time granted

to October 17, 2005 to file the informal response to the petition for writ of habeas corpus. After that date, only ten further extensions totaling about 290 additional days are contemplated. Extension is granted based upon Deputy Attorney General Marvin E. Mizell's representation that he anticipates filing that document by 8/7/2006.

S136598

B176352 Second Appellate District, Division One LEVINE, MARRIAGE OF

Extension of time granted

to September 27, 2005 for respondent to file the answer to the petition for review.

S136841

RATEPAYERS FOR AFFORDABLE CLEAN ENERGY v. CALIF PUBLIC UTILITIES COMM Extension of time granted

Respondent's time to serve and file the answer to petition for review is extended to and including October 28, 2005.

S133249

E037699 Fourth Appellate District, Division Two HARWOOD (PAUL) ON H.C.

Counsel appointment order filed

The order filed September 1, 2005, is amended to read: "Upon request of appellant for appointment of counsel, Appellate Defenders, Inc. is hereby appointed to represent appellant on his appeal now pending in this court."